

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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| In re Application of:       | : |                            |
|                             | : | Confirmation No.: 1456     |
| Norman S. MARTUCCI          | : |                            |
|                             | : | Group Art Unit: 1733       |
| Application No.: 10/663,259 | : |                            |
|                             | : | Examiner: Jeff H. Aftergut |
| Filed: September 16, 2003   | : |                            |

For: **METHOD OF MAKING COATED BRAIDED HOSE ASSEMBLY**

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111**

**Mail Stop Amendment with Fee**  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the non-final Office Action mailed August 27, 2007, such response being due by December 27, 2007, with the attached Petition for Extension of Time. In view of the following amendments and remarks, Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to reconsider and withdraw the outstanding rejections and allow all claims pending in the application.

**Amendments to the specification** are at page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the claims** begin on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.